Homework 12

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Verify that the given function pair is a solution to the first-order system.

$x = -e^t$, $y = e^t$
$\frac{dx}{dt} = -y$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = -x$
$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(-e^t) = e^t = y$; $\frac{dx}{dt} = -y$
$\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(e^t) = -e^t = x$; $\frac{dy}{dt} = -x$

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Find and classify the rest points of the given autonomous system.

$\frac{dx}{dt} = -(y-1)$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 2$

The rest point of the system is a point in the phase plane for which $f(x,y) = 0 and g(x,y) = 0$, then both the derivatives $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$ and $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$.

when $y = 1$, $\frac{dx}{dt} = -(1-1)$; $\frac{dx}{dt} = 0$
when $x = 2$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2 - 2$; $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$

$(2,1)$ is the rest point of the autonomous system $\frac{dx}{dt} = -(y-1)$, $\frac{dy}{dt} = x - 2$

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Apply the first and second derivative tests to the function $f(y) = y^a/e^{by}$ to show that $f(y) = y^a/e^{by}$ is a unique critical point that yields the relatvie maximum $f(a/b)$. Show also that $f(y)$ approaches zero as y tends to infinity.

The function $f(y) = \frac{y^a}{e^{by}}$ has first derivative:
$f'(y) = y^{a-1}e^{-by}(a - by)$ $f'(y) = \frac{d}{dy}(\frac{y^a}{e^{by}})$
$f'(y) = y^a(\frac{d}{dy}(e^{-by})) + e^{-by}(\frac{d}{dy}(y^a))$
$f'(y) = \frac{\frac{d}{dy}(y^a)}{e^{by}} + \frac{\frac{d}{dy}(-(by))}{e^{by}}ya$
$f'(y) = \frac{\frac{d}{dy}(y^a)}{e^{by}} + \frac{-b\frac{d}{dy}(y)ya}{e^{by}}$
$f'(y) = \frac{\frac{d}{dy}(y^a)}{e^{by}} + \frac{1by^a}{e^{by}}$
$f'(y) = \frac{by^a}{e^{by}} + \frac{ay^{a-1}}{e^{by}}$